

## **Council Meeting Minutes**

Monday, March 13, 2023 – 7 PM Council Chambers

Item	Presented By:	Action	Topic	Report
Pledge of Allegiance & Roll Call for Quorum	Mayor Stefan Densmore	Action	Торіс	The Village Council convened a regular, in-person meeting on Monday, March 13, 2023, at 7 PM with Mayor Stefan Densmore presiding.  Roll call of Council Members: Ms. Chaney: Present Mr. Fischer: Present Mr. Kneipp: Absent Mr. Marx: Present Ms. Snyder: Present Mr. Van Harn: Present
				Motion to excuse Mr. Kneipp by Mr. Marx. Second by Ms. Snyder. All voted in favor.
Set the Agenda & Adopt	Mayor Densmore	Review & Motion		Motion to approve the agenda, tabling Dr. Bronson's presentation for another meeting, as well as adding an executive session for the purpose of purchasing real estate by Mr. Marx Second by Ms. Chaney.  All voted in favor.
Persons Registered to Address Council	Resident/Visitor	3-minute time limit per speaker.	Guest: Dr. Bronson	Unable to attend, but will be postponed.
Personnel Promotion	Mayor Densmore & Chief Campbell		Ofc. Justin Blanton - Promotion to Corporal	Mr. Densmore completed instatement of Officer Justin Blanton as a Corporal.
Minutes to be Approved	Mayor Densmore	Review & Motion	Minutes from Previous Council Meetings for Approval:	Motion to approve minutes for 2/13/23 by Mr. Marx. Second by Mr. Fischer. All voted in favor.

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			• <u>2/13/2023</u> • <u>3/8/2023</u>	Motion to approve minutes for 3/8/23 by Mr. Van Harn. Second by Mr. Marx. All voted in favor.
			Department Reports	
Fire District	Chief Denny Meador	Report		Annual 2022 report available online.  Feb 16 there was a structural fire on Hammel, caused by improper disposal of smoking equipment. This was not a huge fire loss. Mutual aid partners from Norwood and Reading worked out very well.  Five candidates for deployment with the fire district are being interviewed tomorrow night. Community residents are included from all four jurisdictions.  Chief Meador will work with Sgt Reed to build a more complete reporting system, similar to what the FD is currently doing.  Mr. Hirth requests, for the next meeting, a proclamation from the Mayor and affirmation from Council expressing support for the fire district's excellent work.
Mayor	Mayor Densmore	Report & Announcements		Please be aware of phishing attempts to Village employees.  March is Women's History Month. March 8, was International Women's Day.  The new state senator Catherine Ingraham penned a letter to Mr. Densmore, expressing interest to help with any needs our community has.  Thanks to Jim Puthoff, Paula Burgin, Mr. Pridonoff, and Ms. Snyder for attending the Hamilton County Emergency Management Plan update.  altafiber provides low-income homes with internet in the Village.

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			AJC Cincinnati invites the Community to an in-person intercommunity seder, March 21, 1130-1pm. There is still time to register for all who are interested.
			The Inclusive Project Planning Program is targeted technical assistances designed to take a project from idea to implementation. Mr. Densmore requests anyone who is interested in pursuing them to reach out to the Administration.
			The Community Engagement Committee would like to share key insights in maximizing Golf Manor Parks, March 21, 9:30am.
Village Administrator	Ron Hirth	Report	Roads Summary: Wiehe: A successful pre-construction meeting was held on February 15. Construction on the road itself will begin mid-March. A Town Hall meeting for the residents and businesses will be held on Tuesday, March 14, 2023 from 6 – 7 PM. Representatives from the administration, police, engineer and construction company will be present to answer questions. The Village continues to work closely with the businesses with higher volumes of traffic to ensure no disruption of business.  Elbrook: Storm water drain replacement at the 6400 block has been completed. GCWW continues progress with installation of the new water main. Pre-construction meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 15 at 10 am.  Englewood/Canterbury: Council awarded the contract to Rack & Ballauer. GCWW continues progress with installation of the new water main. The pre-construction meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 28 at 11am.  GMPD Personnel – Congratulations to Officer Justin Blanton on his promotion to Corporal. The Executive Committee discussed the implementation of a police Captain position. Conversations with a potential candidate will take place over the next week or so.  Electric Aggregation: As a follow-up to the discussion of the electric aggregation numbers, Energy Alliance locked in a 2-year contract at the following rates:

			Opt-in (100% renewable Source - National Wind: 7.34 c per kWh Both are well below Duke Energy's 9.5 c per kWh currently offered. This range will save approximately \$20 per month on the average residential electric bill.  513 Relief Bus — Tuesday, May 9, 2023. WeTHRIVE Grant Funding — The Village has received funding from two grant applications submitted t Hamilton County Public Health:  \$3,750 for Yoga in the Park summer programming \$\$11,237 for improvements to the Volunteer Park amphitheater.  As the Village endeavors to create events that attract a diverse contingent of residents to communicate and inform regarding available services and health initiatives, while also providing opportunities for building community and fellowship among residents.  The base structure of the amphitheater is a good concept, but initial execution lacked vision for amenities needed to do simple things like stage concerts or festivals. Our proposed enhancements will rectify that problem, allowing for us to program various activities in the venue. Receipt of this grant helps to solve a long-term problem that has existed for many years.  The WeTHRIVE team has been vocal in their wish to do more with the park and will be a part of the short and long-term plan for park programming. Ultimately, the administration is overcoming obstacles to foster more community engagement and participation. We have an ideal opportunity here with a manageable population base of around 3,800 residents. Since the pandemic, we receive more inquiries about doing events and would like to be able to accommodate these requests.
Fiscal Officer	Eric Pridonoff	Report	Discussed the details of the Vehicle Replacement Policy, and the necessity of replacing one PD Durango.

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Police	Chief Chris Campbell	Report	Mayor's Court Report –	Total to the Village \$5,653.
			February 2022	State \$1,616.50
				County \$58.50
				Motion to accept by Mr. Marx.
				Second by Ms. Snyder.
				All voted in favor.
				Citations issued for Feb are discussed in the activity report,
				which can be found online.
Solicitor Report	Mr. Butler		ORD. 2023 - 2: An Ordinance	ORD. 2023 – 1: Second reading.
			to Approve Current	Motion to read by title only by Mr. Marx.
			Replacement Pages to the	Second by Mr. Van Harn.
			Golf Manor Codified	All voted in favor.
			Ordinances.	
				Motion to Suspend rules and pass as emergency by Mr. Marx.
				Second by Ms. Chaney.
				All voted in favor.
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				Motion to adopt <b>ORD 2023- 2</b> as an emergency by Ms. Chaney.
				Second by Ms. Snyder.
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				Roll call:
				Ms. Chaney: Yes
				Mr. Fischer: Yes
				Mr. Kneipp: Absent
				Mr. Marx: Yes
				Ms. Snyder: Yes
				Mr. Van Harn: Yes
			Community Reinvestment	Housing Council approved a 10-year abatement for National
			Area (CRA) Opportunity	Access Design.
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				Motion to affirm abatement recommendation by Housing
				Council by Ms. Snyder.
				Second by Mr. Marx.
				All voted in favor.
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Executive Committee	Roger Van Harn, Chair	Report	The Executive Committee recommended supporting the creation of a captain position in the PD.
			Motion to support the creation of the captain position for the PD by Mr. Marx. Second by Mr. Van Harn.
			This is the creation of an administration position, which will include more complex projects, policy initiatives, and act as Assistant Chief.
			All voted in favor.  Executive Committee had a lengthy discussion on landlord/tenant issues. Mr. Hirth will revive a survey for tenants, and move towards getting a group of landlords together.
			Nuisance/housing legislation is another area Mr. Butler is working on. Unfortunately, he was not able to complete for this week. He hopes to have it available for next executive committee.
Planning Commission	Lou Marx	Report	• The next scheduled Planning Commission meeting is Monday, April 3, 2023, at 6:30 PM, pending any business.
Community Engagement Committee	Ashley Snyder	Report	The Community Engagement Committee will meet Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 9:30 AM.
			Discussed parks and the app. The Village is still waiting to hear back from OCV about the app.
Education	Sharon Chaney		3 months ago, LSDMC sent a letter to CPS board and superintendent about boundaries, that they should change the registration online to include 3 other schools other than PRM. Goal is to help with enrollment, and help the children who do not accel in Montessori environment.
			Ad hoc meeting in Feb of CPS did not get to the letter on their agenda.

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			Ms. Chaney reached out to CPS President, Ben Lindey, about the issues PRM is facing. Mr. Lindey was receptive, and offered to try to get answers.
			Schedule for addition to PRM has been delayed slightly.
Communication			
Non-Profit	David Fischer		
Finance Committee	David Fischer	Report	The Finance Committee does not meet this evening.
Old Business		Discussion	
New Business		Discussion	
Announcements			Next Council Meetings are scheduled for:
			• Monday, March 27, 2023:
			o Financial Audit Committee @ 5:30 PM
			o Finance Committee Meeting @6 PM
			o Council @ 7 PM or immediately after conclusion of
			Finance Committee meeting
			• Monday, April 17, 2023:
			o Executive Committee @ 5:30 PM
			o Finance Committee Meeting @6:30 PM
			Council @ 7:30 PM or immediately after conclusion of
			Finance Committee meeting
			Motion to move into Executive Session by Mr. Marx.
			Second by Ms. Chaney.
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			Roll call:
			Ms. Chaney: Yes
			Mr. Fischer: Yes
			Mr. Kneipp: Absent
			Mr. Marx: Yes
			Ms. Snyder: Yes
			Mr. Van Harn: Yes
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		Motion to adjourn from Executive by Ms. Snyder. Second by Mr. Van Harn. All voted in favor.
Adjourn		Motion to adjourn at 8:59 by Mr. Marx. Second by Ms. Chaney. All voted in favor.

Approvals:		
	Date:	
Submitted by Eric Pridonoff, Fiscal Officer		
	Date:	
Stefan Densmore, Mayor		
	Date:	
Paula Burgin, Asst. Clerk of Council		

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